1830. over Big Elk creek, on the road from the village of Elkton, on the road leading past the site of the old Markethouse, towards Warwick, in said county, and contract with one or more persons for rebuilding said bridge in a good and substantial manner, on the best possible terms, taking bond of the said contractor or contractors, with sufficient security, for the due and faithful performance of the contract.

Bridge to be Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That whenever the said Big free. Elk creek bridge is completed, the same shall be and remain a free bridge forever thereafter.

CHAPTER 60.

Passed Feb. 8. An Act to confirm a Deed of Manumission therein mentioned.

Deed made vaSection 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of
Maryland, That a deed of manumission in favour of certain negroes therein mentioned, executed by Nathaniel
Chew, dated the first day of October eighteen hundred and
twenty-four, and duly acknowledged, be and the same is
hereby declared to be good and valid, and of equal force
and effect, as if it had been attested by two witnesses, and
recorded in the time required by law.

Not to affect Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act conany suit now tained shall affect any suit now pending in any court in this state, or any bona fide purchaser, who has heretofore purchased said slaves without notice of the execution of said deed.

CHAPTER 61.

Passed Feb. 8. An Act to provide for the erection of a Bridge over Antietam Creek, on the road leading from Sharpsburgh to Harper's Ferry, in Washington County.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,
That the commissioners of Washington county be, and
they are hereby authorised and required, if in their opi-